



PRESS RELEASE

August 3, 2016

EVENT: Coffee with a Cop
EVENT DATE: August 11, 2016
EVENT TIME: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
EVENT LOCATION: Starbucks Coffee at the Bayhill Shopping Center
CONTACT PERSON: Officer Sherry Campbell

On **Thursday August 11, 2016**, officers from the San Bruno Police Department and community members will come together in an informal, relaxed space to discuss community issues, build relationships, and drink coffee. All community members are invited to attend. The event begins at **9am at Starbucks Coffee located in the Bayhill Shopping Center**.

Coffee with a Cop provides a unique opportunity for community members to ask questions and learn more about the department's work in the City. The majority of contacts law enforcement has with the public happen during emergencies, or emotional situations. Those situations are not always the most effective times for relationship building with the community, and some community members may feel that officers are unapproachable on the street. *Coffee with a Cop* seeks to break down barriers and allows for a relaxed, one-on-one interaction.

Coffee with a Cop is a national initiative supported by The United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. Similar events are being held across the country, as local police departments strive to make lasting connections with the communities they serve.

The program aims to advance the practice of community policing through improving relationships between police officers and community members one cup of coffee at a time.

Anyone with questions regarding the event may contact Support Services Officer Sherry Campbell of the San Bruno Police Department at (650) 616-7129 or by email at scampbell@sanbruno.ca.gov.